

November 1, 2012

LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

RAYMOND E. SINES, PRESIDENT
DANIEL P. TROY, COMMISSIONER
ROBERT E. AUFULDISH, COMMISSIONER
AMY ELSZASZ, CLERK

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NEWS MEDIA

(Tape 2012-1101)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Sines called the meeting to order at 10:01 am, Thursday, November 1, 2012.

ROLL CALL: Upon the roll being called all were present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Upon a motion by Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Aufuldish, the minutes of the meeting of October 25, 2012 were approved as follows:

"AYES": Commissioners: Aufuldish, Sines and Troy "NAYS": None

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Commissioner Sines asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board.

Commissioner Sines: With the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy, I understand that power is getting restored, which has been a hardship for many people. There is a press release for those who might need shelter, food or water, and we hope that the press will put this out to help those people in need.

Jason Boyd, County Administrator gave a county update regarding the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy. First Energy continues to work on power restoration, and will hopefully provide more detailed information this morning. Hazard crews strictly worked on down trees and lines on the first two days. The Mentor Senior Center is the only shelter that is up and running.

Commissioner Troy: In the past, we always had a First Energy representative here at our meetings. It would be nice to see those folks once in a while to let us know how prepared they are for these types of emergencies. It has been frustrating in areas of Willowick and Eastlake where on one side of the street there has been power uninterrupted and on the other side there is no power. No one has seen any First Energy crews, so you don't know if it is line related or computer grid related. I think informational updates would be very helpful to those still without power.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON BEHALF OF THE LAKE COUNTY ENGINEER AND BURGESS & NIPLE, INC. TO PERFORM COUNTY BRIDGE INSPECTIONS (20121101\E01) (E-3)

- Brief discussion from Jim Gills, County Engineer that they have been happy with the work performed by Burgess & Niple, Inc. Currently, the County Engineer's Department does about a third of this work. The department has a few people that are now certified to perform some of the smaller bridge inspections. The federal government requires bridge inspections to be performed every two years, and the O.D.O.T. requires inspections every year. There is a push from the County Engineer's Association of Ohio to have the bridge inspections every two years. Lake County has come from being at the bottom of the state rated list to the top. For the most part, Lake County bridges are in excellent shape. There are probably four or five bridges that the department watches closely. If bridge inspections go to every two years, those bridges of concern will be inspected every year by the County Engineer Department.

On a motion of Commissioner Aufuldish, seconded by Commissioner Troy, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Aufuldish, Sines and Troy "NAYS": None

2. RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS FROM LCDU SEWER DISTRICT EQUIPMENT TO MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES AND EASEMENTS AND INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR MCMACKIN ROAD (SOUTH OF CHAPEL) WATER IMPROVEMENT 261-W PROFESSIONAL SERVICES LEGAL (20121101\U01) (UT-2)

On a motion of Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Aufuldish, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Aufuldish, Sines and Troy "NAYS": None

3. RESOLUTION AWARDED A BID CONTRACT TO A.P. O'HORO COMPANY FOR MADISON WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT UPGRADE AND EXPANSION PROJECT 289S CONTRACT C, GENERAL, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$12,599,900 (20121101\U02) (UT-4)

Commissioner Aufuldish and Al Saari, Sanitary Engineer briefly discussed that resolutions 3 - 6 combined are about 8% below the engineers estimate and that these companies have performed work for the Utilities Department in the past.

On a motion of Commissioner Aufuldish, seconded by Commissioner Troy, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Aufuldish, Sines and Troy "NAYS": None

4. RESOLUTION AWARDED A BID CONTRACT TO PENN-OHIO ELECTRICAL COMPANY FOR MADISON WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT UPGRADE AND EXPANSION PROJECT 289S, CONTRACT D, ELECTRICAL, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,555,000 (20121101\U03) (UT-4)

On a motion of Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Aufuldish, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Aufuldish, Sines and Troy "NAYS": None

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5. RESOLUTION AWARDING A BID CONTRACT TO YORK MAHONING MECHANICAL CONTRACTORS, INC. FOR MADISON WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT UPGRADE AND EXPANSION PROJECT 289S CONTRACT E, HVAC, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$611,500 (20121101\U04) (UT-4)

On a motion of Commissioner Aufuldish, seconded by Commissioner Troy, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: “AYES”: Commissioners: Aufuldish, Sines and Troy “NAYS”: None

6. RESOLUTION AWARDING A BID CONTRACT TO NORTH BAY CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR MADISON WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT UPGRADE AND EXPANSION PROJECT 289S CONTRACT F, PLUMBING, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$197,408 (20121101\U05) (UT-4)

On a motion of Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Aufuldish, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: “AYES”: Commissioners: Aufuldish, Sines and Troy “NAYS”: None

7. RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING NOVEMBER 2012 ADOPTION AWARENESS MONTH IN LAKE COUNTY, OHIO (20121101\JFS01) (JFS-11)

Matt Battiato, Job and Family Services Director: November is Adoption Awareness Month. In this county we do have children in our permanent custody that are looking for forever homes. I would like to thank the Commissioners for the opportunity to bring awareness to the community, and if anyone is interested in becoming an adoptive home to please contact us.

Commissioner Aufuldish: According to this resolution it was President Ford who started this process.

Commissioner Sines: Obviously, this is an important program in Lake County. We commend those special people that adopt these kids who are really in need. We are fortunate in Lake County to have so many people who are willing to adopt. **On a motion** of Commissioner Aufuldish, seconded by Commissioner Troy, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: “AYES”: Commissioners: Aufuldish, Sines and Troy “NAYS”: None

8. RESOLUTION APPROVING LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES VOUCHERS DATE OF WARRANT NOVEMBER 9, 2012, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$270,234.62 (20121101\JFS02) (JFS-14)

On a motion of Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Aufuldish, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: “AYES”: Commissioners: Aufuldish, Sines and Troy “NAYS”: None

9. RESOLUTION RE-APPOINTING DENNIS LAGER TO THE NORTHEAST OHIO COMMUNITY ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM FACILITY GOVERNING BOARD FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM EXPIRING NOVEMBER 9, 2015 (20121101\C01) (B-14)

Commissioner Troy: Mr. Lager would like to continue to serve for another term, and we are more than happy to join with the other Commissioners in the five county court district to support this resolution.

On a motion of Commissioner Aufuldish, seconded by Commissioner Troy, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: “AYES”: Commissioners: Aufuldish, Sines and Troy “NAYS”: None

10. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT, AND ENTER INTO A WATER POLLUTION CONTROL LOAN FUND AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF LAKE COUNTY FOR THE REPAIR AND/OR REPLACEMENT OF HOME SEWAGE TREATMENT SYSTEMS (20121101\C02) (C-46)

Laura Kuns, Health District: The Health Department was able to help 12 families with failing septic systems all over Lake County in 2011 with a \$130,000 non-point pollution grant. There is a little bit of money left, and we think that we will be able to help a 13th home. This time around we can go after the maximum amount of money at \$154,000. We still have folks waiting in the wings for assistance, and we would like to keep helping as long as Ohio EPA is willing to move the dollars. Commissioner Troy: These folks have to qualify for this program income wise.

On a motion of Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Aufuldish, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: “AYES”: Commissioners: Aufuldish, Sines and Troy “NAYS”: None

11. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AMENDMENT I TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND LIFELINE, INC. FOR THE FY-2011 HOME PROGRAM FUNDS (20121101\C03) (C-46)

On a motion of Commissioner Aufuldish, seconded by Commissioner Troy, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: “AYES”: Commissioners: Aufuldish, Sines and Troy “NAYS”: None

12. RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF KARA F. TOTTH FROM THE POSITION OF PART-TIME KENNEL PERSON FOR THE LAKE COUNTY DOG SHELTER, EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 28, 2012 (20121101\C04) (P-110)

On a motion of Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Aufuldish, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: “AYES”: Commissioners: Aufuldish, Sines and Troy “NAYS”: None

13. RESOLUTION INCREASING AND DECREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS NON GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS (20121101\BC01) (C-111)

On a motion of Commissioner Aufuldish, seconded by Commissioner Troy, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: “AYES”: Commissioners: Aufuldish, Sines and Troy “NAYS”: None

14. RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING CASH AND APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS (20121101\BC02) (C-111)

On a motion of Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Aufuldish, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: “AYES”: Commissioners: Aufuldish, Sines and Troy “NAYS”: None

UTILITIES: Rick Martin: Our drinking water has experienced minimum affects due to the recent weather. However, the

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sewer has been affected certainly in the areas that we have experienced issues before such as the Bellflower and Cedar Glen areas. Our crews have been working 12 hour shifts, 24/7. One of our stations became engulfed because of the river and was out of operation. I believe that the department has received approximately 25 complaints due to sewer back-ups, where compared to 2006 we had hundreds of complaints. The Bellflower area had 30 to 49 complaints in 2006, and only had 5 to 6 complaints this time. Some of these issues are still caused by laterals and stormwater. I know that the City of Mentor has been working on the stormwater issues, which would certainly help the infiltration. We aren't all the way there, but certainly we are on the right path. To assist the public the Utilities Department has a website link still online that says "Water in your Basement", where we can talk to affected homeowners individually or a resident can call and the department will certainly try and help. There is also a survey that a resident can complete and it will give us permission to come out to their house and check for issues that the homeowner may not be aware exist. Typically, this will consist of a dye test that is put into the sump well to see if it comes out into the sewer, which is quick, safe and harmless. Over the last six to eight years the department has put in generators and portables, so loss of power is less of an issue. The biggest issue is one of our lifts is a near a creek that came up high enough to engulf the lift and that will shut things down. We also had a break on our force main on Fairport Nursery Road a 40 year old line, which is a high priority project for possible funding for the upcoming year.

STORMWATER: Tim Miller, Director: I have reached out to all of our member communities to let them know that the Stormwater Department is available for assistance if needed. Right now, we seem to have a pretty good handle on everything. But, I feel when the rivers and streams start to recede we may see some erosion issues.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES: None

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR: Jason Boyd, Administrator received an update from the EMA that approximately 8,000 Lake County folks are still without power with a 95% service restoration by midnight Sunday.

FINANCE: None

CLERK: None

LEGAL: none

OLD BUSINESS: There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS: Commissioner Troy: We participate in the County Commissioners Natural Gas Program and they are having their annual meeting on November 7, 2012 as a Webinar. We will need to designate an alternate representative.

- Chuck Klco was put on as an alternate last year, and is already signed up as a representative through 2014.
- Mr. Klco will be available for the Webinar and will look for an alternate.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION: On a motion of Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Aufuldish, the Board convened an Executive Session at 10:31 am to discuss pending litigation and personnel matters, with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Aufuldish, Sines and Troy "NAYS": None

The Lake County Board of Commissioners recessed Executive Session at 10:31am.
The Lake County Board of Commissioners reconvened Executive Session at 10:35 am.

On a motion of Commissioner Aufuldish, seconded by Commissioner Troy, the Board terminated the Executive Session at 11:43 am, with the vote as follows:
"AYES": Commissioners: Aufuldish, Sines and Troy "NAYS": None

ADJOURN: On a motion of Commissioner Aufuldish, seconded by Commissioner Troy, the Board adjourned the meeting at 11:43 am, with the vote as follows:
"AYES": Commissioners: Aufuldish, Sines and Troy "NAYS": None

Minutes approved this 8th day of November, 2012.

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